

STAT

SUBJECT: [] Review

I've recently held discussions on the adequacy of our compartmentation systems with senior officers in the community. We felt that there is a need to take a hard look at the present system with a view toward:

- developing unified management and standards
- simplifying and clarifying our procedures
- downgrading, declassifying and decompartmenting to the maximum extent consistent with the protection of vital sources and methods
- rebuilding security consciousness and restoring the proper implementation of "need to know"
- strengthening the barriers between compartments to avoid "spill-over" from one to another
- better providing for the actual needs of tactical commanders

I've recently asked [] to head a small group of representatives of participating agencies to study this matter and make recommendations, including possibly even coming up with a new and simplified system.

STAT

STAT

Retyped: [] (13Sep78)

18/26